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 AN 2001031129 MEDLINE
 DN 20490738
 T1 PRMT3 is a distinct member of the protein arginine N-
 methyltransferase family. Conferral of substrate
 specificity by a
 zinc - ***finger*** domain.
 AU Frankel A; Clarke S
 CS Molecular Biology Institute and the Department of Chemistry &
 Biochemistry, University of California at Los Angeles, California
 90095,
 USA
 NC GMA26020 (NIGMS)
 T32 GMA07185 (NIGMS)
 SO JOURNAL OF BIOLOGICAL CHEMISTRY, (2000 Oct 20)
 275 (42), 32974-82
 Journal code: HIV. ISSN: 0021-9258.
 CY United States
 DT Journal, Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
 LA English
 FS Priority Journals
 EM 200011
 AB S-Adenosyl-L-methionine-dependent protein arginine N-
 methyltransferases (PRMT's) catalyze the methylation of
 arginine
 residues within a variety of proteins. At least four distinct
 mammalian
 family members have now been described, including PRMT1,
 PRMT3,
 CARM1/PRMT4, and JBP1/PRMT5. To more fully define the
 physiological role
 of PRMT3, we characterized its unique putative ***zinc*** -
 finger domain and how it can affect its enzymatic
 activity. Here
 we show that PRMT3 does contain a single ***zinc*** -
 finger
 domain in its amino terminus. Although the zinc-liganded form of
 this

domain is not required for methylation of an artificial substrate such
 as
 the glutathione S-transferase-fibrillarlin amino-terminal
 fusion
 protein (GST-GAR), it is required for the enzyme to recognize
 RNA-associated substrates in RAT1 cell extracts. The recombinant
 form of
 PRMT3 is inhibited by high concentrations of ZnCl(2) as well as
 N-ethylmaleimide, reagents that can modify cysteine sulphydryl
 groups. We
 found that we could distinguish PRMT1 family members by their
 sensitivity
 to these reagents; JBP1/PRMT5 and Hsl7
 methyltransferases were
 inhibited in a similar manner as PRMT3, whereas Rml1, PRMT1,
 and
 CARM1/PRMT4 were not affected. We were also able to define
 differences in
 these enzymes by their sensitivity to inhibition by Tris and free
 arginine. Finally, we found that the treatment of RAT1 cell extracts
 with
 N-ethylmaleimide leads to a loss of the major PRMT1-associated
 activity
 that was immune to inhibition under the same conditions as a GST
 fusion protein. These results suggest that native forms of
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 can have different properties than their GST-catalytic chain
 fusion protein counterparts, which may lack associated
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LA English
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AI WO 1996-US15576 A 19960927
PRAI US 1995-4445 A2 19950928
US 1996-594866 A2 19960131
OSDW 97-212856
AB The present invention provides a ***chimeric*** protein
which
comprises a mutated DNA methyltransferase portion and a DNA
binding
protein portion that binds sufficiently close to a promoter sequence
of a
target gene which promoter sequence contains a methylation site,

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specifically methylate the site and inhibit activity of the promoter
and
thus inhibit expression of the target gene. This invention also
provides
for a method for inhibiting the expression of a target gene which
includes contacting a promoter of the target gene with the
chimeric protein, so as to specifically methylate the
promoter
sequence of the target gene thus inhibiting expression of the target
gene.
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ACID AND POLYPEPTIDE AND USES THEREOF
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L8 ANSWER 3 OF 4 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2001 ACS
AN 1997791788 CAPLUS
DN 128.111239
TI Cytosine methylation targeted to pre-determined sequences
AU Xu, Guo-Liang, ***Bestor, Timothy H ***
CS Department of Genetics and Development, College of Physicians,
and Surgeons
of Columbia University, New York, NY, 10032, USA
SO Nat. Genet. (1997), 17(4), 376-378
CODEN: NGENEC, ISSN: 1061-4036
PB Nature America
DT Journal
LA English
AB Predicted sequence specificities have now been conferred upon a
DNA
methyltransferase by fusion to zinc-finger proteins. The
sequence
specificity of zinc-finger proteins can be modified to direct cytosine
methylation to the promoters of target genes. Targeted methylation
is
proposed as a new method for selective gene inactivation that
stimulates
an existing biol. response.
L8 ANSWER 4 OF 4 MEDLINE

AN 92298390 MEDLINE
DN 92298390
TI Targeted mutation of the DNA ***methyltransferase*** gene
results in
embryonic lethality.
AU Li E.; ***Bestor T H***; Jaenisch R
CS Whitehead Institute for Biomedical Research, Cambridge,
Massachusetts
02142.
NC GMA43565 (NIGMS)
R35 CA 44339-05 (NCI)
SO CELL, (1992 Jun 12) 69 (6) 915-26.
Journal code: CQ4. ISSN: 0092-8674.
CY United States
DT Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
LA English
FS Priority Journals; Cancer Journals
EM 199209
AB Gene targeting in embryonic stem (ES) cells has been used to
mutate the
murine DNA ***methyltransferase*** gene. ES cell lines
homologous for
the mutation were generated by consecutive targeting of both
wild-type
alleles; the mutant cells were viable and showed no obvious
abnormalities
with respect to growth rate or morphology, and had only trace levels
of
DNA ***methyltransferase*** activity. A quantitative
end-labeling
assay showed that the level of m5C in the DNA of homozygous
mutant cells
was about one-third that of wild-type cells, and Southern blot
analysis
after cleavage of the DNA with a methylation-sensitive restriction
endonuclease revealed substantial demethylation of endogenous
retroviral
DNA. The mutation was introduced into the germline of mice and
found to
cause a recessive lethal phenotype. Homozygous embryos were
stunted,
delayed in development, and did not survive past mid-gestation.
The DNA of
homozygous embryos showed a reduction of the level of m5C
similar to that
of homozygous ES cells. These results indicate that while a 3-fold
reduction in levels of genomic m5C has no detectable effect on the
viability or proliferation of ES cells in culture, a similar reduction
of
DNA methylation in embryos causes abnormal development and
embryonic
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AN 2000497370 MEDLINE

DN 20440199

TI Transcriptional repression by *Drosophila* methyl- ***CpG***
-binding

proteins.

AU Roder K, Hung M S, Lee T L, Lin T Y, Xiao H, Isobe K I,

Juang J L, Shen C

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CS Institute of Molecular Biology, Academia Sinica, Nankang,
Taipei, Taiwan,

Republic of China

SO MOLECULAR AND CELLULAR BIOLOGY, (2000 Oct) 20

(19) 7401-9.

Journal code: NGY. ISSN: 0270-7306.

CY United States

DT Journal, Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)

LA English

FS Priority Journals

EW 200012

EM 20001204

AB C methylation at genomic ***CpG*** dinucleotides has been
implicated

in the regulation of a number of genetic activities during vertebrate

cell

differentiation and embryo development. The methylated

CpG could

induce chromatin condensation through the recruitment of histone

deacetylase (HDAC)-containing complexes by methyl-

CpG -binding

proteins. These proteins consist of the methylated-DNA binding

domain

(MBD). Unexpectedly, however, several studies have identified

MBD-containing proteins encoded by genes of *Drosophila*

melanogaster, an

invertebrate species supposed to be void of detectable m(5)

CpG

We now report the genomic structure of a *Drosophila* gene.

dMBD2/3, that

codes for two MBD-containing, alternatively spliced, and

developmentally

regulated isoforms of proteins, dMBD2/3 and dMBD2/3Delta.

Interestingly,

in vitro binding experiments showed that as was the case for

vertebrate

MBD proteins, dMBD2/3Delta could preferentially recognize m(5)

CpG

-containing DNA through its MBD. Furthermore, dMBD2/3Delta

as well as one

of its orthologs in mouse, MBD2b, could function in human cells as

a

transcriptional corepressor or repressor. The activities of HDACs

appeared

to be dispensable for transcriptional repression by dMBD2/3Delta.

Finally,

dMBD2/3Delta also could repress transcription effectively in

transfected

Drosophila cells. The surprisingly similar structures and

characteristics

of the MBD proteins as well as DNA cytosine (C-5)

methyltransferase -related proteins in *Drosophila* and

vertebrates

suggest interesting scenarios for their roles in eukaryotic cellular

functions.

L11 ANSWER 2 OF 9 MEDLINE

AN 2000391949 MEDLINE

DN 20347723

TI DNMT1 forms a complex with Rb, E2F1 and HDAC1 and

represses transcription

from E2F-responsive promoters.

AU Robertson K D, Alt-St-Ali S, Yokochi T, Wade P A, Jones P L,

Wolffe A P

CS Laboratory of Molecular Embryology, NICHD, NIH, Bethesda,

Maryland, USA

SO NATURE GENETICS, (2000 Jul) 25 (3) 338-42.

Journal code: BRO. ISSN: 1061-4036.

CY United States

DT Journal, Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)

LA English

FS Priority Journals

EW 200010

EM 20001003

AB Methylation of ***CpG*** islands is associated with

transcriptional

silencing and the formation of nuclease-resistant chromatin

structures

enriched in hypoacetylated histones. Methyl- ***CpG***

-binding

proteins, such as MeCP2, provide a link between methylated DNA

and

hypoacetylated histones by recruiting histone deacetylase, but the

mechanisms establishing the methylation patterns themselves are

unknown.

Whether DNA methylation is always causal for the assembly of

repressive

chromatin or whether features of transcriptionally silent chromatin

might

target ***methyltransferase*** remains unresolved. Mammalian

DNA

methyltransferases show little sequence specificity in

vitro, yet

methylation can be targeted in vivo within chromosomes to

repetitive

elements, centromeres and imprinted loci. This targeting is

frequently

disrupted in tumour cells, resulting in the improper silencing of

tumour-suppressor genes associated with ***CpG*** islands.

Here we

show that the predominant mammalian DNA

methyltransferase,

DNMT1, co-purifies with the retinoblastoma (Rb) tumour

suppressor gene

product, E2F1, and HDAC1 and that DNMT1 cooperates with Rb

to repress

transcription from promoters containing E2F-binding sites. These

results

establish a link between DNA methylation, histone deacetylase and

sequence-specific DNA binding activity, as well as a

growth-regulatory

pathway that is disrupted in nearly all cancer cells.

L11 ANSWER 3 OF 9 MEDLINE

AN 2000082816 MEDLINE

DN 20082816

TI DNA ***methyltransferase*** Dnmt1 associates with histone

deacetylase

activity.

AU Fuks F, Burgers W A, Brehm A, Hughes-Davies L, Kouzarides

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CS Wellcome/CRC Institute, Department of Pathology, Cambridge

University,

Cambridge, UK

SO NATURE GENETICS, (2000 Jan) 24 (1) 88-91.

Journal code: BRO. ISSN: 1061-4036.

CY United States

DT Journal, Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)

LA English

FS Priority Journals

EW 200004

EM 20000402

AB The DNA ***methyltransferase*** Dnmt1 is responsible for

cytosine

methylation in mammals and has a role in gene silencing. DNA

methylation

represses genes partly by recruitment of the methyl- ***CpG***

-binding

protein MeCP2, which in turn recruits a histone deacetylase

activity. Here

we show that Dnmt1 is itself associated with histone deacetylase

activity

in vivo. Consistent with this association, we find that one of the

known histone deacetylases, HDAC1, has the ability to bind Dnmt1 and can purify ***methyltransferase*** activity from nuclear extracts. We have identified a transcriptional repression domain in Dnmt1 that functions, at least partly, by recruiting histone deacetylase activity and shows homology to the repressor domain of the trithorax-related protein HRX (also known as MLL and ALL-1). Our data show a more direct connection between DNA methylation and histone deacetylation than was previously considered. We suggest that the process of DNA methylation, mediated by Dnmt1, may depend on or generate an altered chromatin state via histone deacetylase activity.

L11 ANSWER 4 OF 9 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 1
AN 2000056258 MEDLINE
DN 20056258
TI The DNMT3B DNA ***methyltransferase*** gene is mutated in the ICF immunodeficiency syndrome.
AU Hansen R S, Winenga C, Luo P, Stanek A M, Canfield T K, Weemaes C M, Cantler S M
CS Department of Medicine, University of Washington, Seattle, WA 98195, USA.
supreme@u.washington.edu
NC HD16659 (NICHD)
GM52463 (NIGMS)
SO PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. (1999 Dec 7) 96 (25) 14412-7.
Journal code: PV3. ISSN: 0027-8424.

CY United States
DT Journal. Article. (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
LA English
FS Priority Journals; Cancer Journals
EM 200003
EW 20000302
AB DNA methylation is an important regulator of genetic information in species ranging from bacteria to humans. DNA methylation appears to be critical for mammalian development because mice nullizygous for a targeted disruption of the DNMT1 DNA ***methyltransferase*** die at an early embryonic stage. No DNA ***methyltransferase*** mutations have been reported in humans until now. We describe here the first example of naturally occurring mutations in a mammalian DNA

methyltransferase gene. These mutations occur in patients with a rare autosomal recessive disorder, which is termed the ICF syndrome, for immunodeficiency, centromere instability, and facial anomalies. Centromeric instability of chromosomes 1, 9, and 16 is associated with abnormal hypomethylation of ***CpG*** sites in their pericentromeric satellite regions. We are able to complement this hypomethylation defect by somatic cell ***fusion*** to Chinese hamster ovary cells, suggesting that the ICF gene is conserved in the hamster and promotes de novo methylation. ICF has been localized to a 9-centromeric region of chromosome 20 by homozygosity mapping. By searching for homologues to known DNA ***methyltransferases***, we identified a genomic sequence in the ICF region that contains the homologue of the mouse Dnmt3b ***methyltransferase*** gene. Using the human sequence to screen ICF kindreds, we discovered mutations in four patients from three families. Mutations include two missense substitutions and a 3-aa insertion resulting from the creation of a novel 3' splice acceptor. None of the mutations were found in over 200 normal chromosomes. We conclude that mutations in the DNMT3B are responsible for the ICF syndrome.

L11 ANSWER 5 OF 9 MEDLINE
AN 1999449787 MEDLINE
DN 99449787
TI Drosophila proteins related to vertebrate DNA (5'-cytosine) ***methyltransferases***.
AU Hung M S, Karthikeyan N, Huang B, Koo H C, Kiger J, Shen C J
CS Institute of Molecular Biology, Academia Sinica, Nankang, Taipei, Taiwan 115.
SO PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. (1999 Oct 12) 96 (21) 11940-5.
Journal code: PV3. ISSN: 0027-8424.

CY United States
DT Journal. Article. (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
LA English
FS Priority Journals; Cancer Journals
OS GENBANK-AF185647
EM 200001
EW 20000104
AB DNA methylation at ***CpG*** residues is closely

associated with a number of biological processes during vertebrate development. Unlike the vertebrates, however, several invertebrate species, including the Drosophila, do not have apparent DNA methylation in their genomes. Nor have there been reports on a DNA (5'-cytosine) ***methyltransferase*** (***CpG*** MTase) found in these invertebrates. We now present evidence for two ***CpG*** MTase-like proteins expressed in Drosophila cells. One of these, Dnmt1, is a protein containing peptide epitopes immunologically related to the conserved motifs I and IV in the catalytic domain of the mammalian dnmt1. Dnmt1 has an apparent molecular mass of 220 kDa and, similar to mammalian dnmt1, it also interacts in vivo with the proliferating cell nuclear antigen. During interphase of the syncytial Drosophila embryos, the Dnmt1 molecules are located outside the nuclei, as is dnmt1 in the mouse blastocyst. However, Dnmt1 appears to be rapidly transported into, and then out of the nuclei again, as the embryos undergo mitotic waves. Immunofluorescent data indicate that Dnmt1 molecules "paint" the whole set of condensed Drosophila chromosomes throughout the mitotic phase, suggesting they may play an essential function in the cell-cycle regulated condensation of the Drosophila chromosomes. Through search in the genomic database, we also have identified a Drosophila polypeptide, Dnmt2, that exhibits high sequence homology to the mammalian dnmt2 and the yeast ***CpG*** MTase homolog pml1. The expression of Dnmt2 appears to be developmentally regulated. We discuss the evolutionary and functional implications of the discovery of these two Drosophila proteins related to mammalian ***CpG*** MTases.

L11 ANSWER 6 OF 9 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 2
AN 2000047908 MEDLINE
DN 20047908
TI Isolation of the novel cDNA of a gene of which expression is induced by a demethylating stimulus.
AU Miyagawa J, Mugiura M, Aoto H, Sueake J, Nakamura M, Tajima S
CS Institute for Protein Research, Osaka University, 3-2, Yamadaoka, Suita.

Osaka, Japan.
SO GENE. (1999 Nov 29) 240 (2) 289-95.
Journal code: FOP. ISSN: 0378-1119.
CY Netherlands
DT Journal, Article: (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
LA English
FS Priority Journals
OS GENBANK-AB007141
EM 200003
EW 20000302
AB We have isolated a novel cDNA clone, named AZ2, from a cDNA library of mRNA prepared from C3H10T1/2 cells that had been transiently exposed to 5-azacytidine, a potent inhibitor of DNA ***methyltransferase***. The elucidated nucleotide sequence revealed that the 5' region of the cDNA was rich in the ***CpG*** sequence. The AZ2 cDNA contained a 1215-nucleotide open reading frame, and the expected amino acid sequence had a molecular mass of 46090. The amount of the transcript increased on 5-azacytidine treatment of C3H10T1/2 cells, and the transcript was significantly expressed in mouse testis, brain, lung, kidney, heart and ovary. Specific antibodies raised against a ***fusion*** protein including glutathione S-transferase revealed a band of an approximately 48kDa translation product for testis, brain, lung, and cultured cells that ecologically expressed the AZ2 protein. The AZ2 protein was mainly localized in the cytoplasm. The amino-terminal part of the AZ2 protein was homologous to the previously reported TANK (Cheng and Baltimore, 1996. Genes Dev. 10, 963-973) and I-TRAF (Rothe, 1996. Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 93, 8241-8246), which participate in the signal transduction cascade from the tumor necrosis factor-receptor to the transcription factor, NFkappaB. Overexpression of AZ2 inhibited TNF alpha mediated NFkappaB activation. AZ2 could be a component of a regulator of the NFkappaB activation cascade.

L11 ANSWER 7 OF 9 MEDLINE
AN 1998378361 MEDLINE
DN 98378361
TI Methyl- ***CpG*** -binding protein MeCP2 represses Spt1-activated transcription of the human leukosialin gene when the promotor is methylated
AU Kudo S
CS Hokkaido Institute of Public Health, Kita-19, Nishi-12, Kita-ku,

Sapporo
(060-0819, Japan.. kudos@pref.jp.hokkaido.jp
SO MOLECULAR AND CELLULAR BIOLOGY. (1998 Sep) 18 (9) 5492-9.
Journal code: NGY. ISSN: 0270-7306.
CY United States
DT Journal, Article: (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
LA English
FS Priority Journals
OS GENBANK-L37298
EM 199811
EW 199811
AB Human leukosialin (CD43) is expressed in a cell lineage-specific as well as a differentiation stage-specific fashion. The leukosialin promotor, made up of an Spt1 binding site and a sequence similar to that of an initiator, possesses high transcriptional potential. Previous data have demonstrated that the leukosialin gene is down-regulated in nonproducing cells by DNA methylation. In this paper, the repressive mechanism of DNA methylation in expression systems is reported. In vitro DNA methylation with SssI (***CpG***) methylase of leukosialin-chloramphenicol acetyltransferase (CAT) constructs drastically reduced transcriptional activities in stable transfection systems with the human HeLa and Jurkat cell lines. On the other hand, the transcriptional repression by in vitro methylation was less pronounced in Drosophila melanogaster cells, which lack genomic methylation. In these cells, Spt1 could transactivate equally well both the unmethylated and methylated leukosialin promotor. In order to test whether one of the methyl- ***CpG*** -binding proteins, MeCP2, is responsible for transcriptional repression of the leukosialin gene, I isolated the human MeCP2 cDNA (encoding 486 amino acid residues) and expressed it in Drosophila cells. I found that MeCP2 substantially inhibited Spt1-activated transcription when the leukosialin promotor was methylated. The level of repression was directly proportional to the amount of MeCP2 expression vector transfected. Analysis of C-terminal deletion mutants of MeCP2 showed that repressive activity of Spt1 transactivation is localized to the N-terminal region consisting of amino acid residues 1 to 193, which encompass the methyl-binding domain. These results suggest that interference with Spt1 transactivation by MeCP2 is an

important factor in the down-regulation of leukosialin gene expression by DNA methylation.

L11 ANSWER 8 OF 9 MEDLINE
AN 1998061079 MEDLINE
DN 98061079
TI Cytosine methylation targeted to pre-determined sequences [letter].
AU Xu G L, Bestor T H
NC G400616 (NIGMS)
A140021 (NIAID)
SO NATURE GENETICS. (1997 Dec) 17 (4) 376-8.
Journal code: BRO. ISSN: 1061-4036.
CY United States
DT Letter
LA English
FS Priority Journals
EM 199803
EW 19980301

L11 ANSWER 9 OF 9 MEDLINE
AN 96154196 MEDLINE
DN 96154196
TI The methyl- ***CpG*** binding protein MeCP2 is essential for embryonic development in the mouse.
AU Tate P, Skarnes W, Bird A
CS Institute of Cell and Molecular Biology, University of Edinburgh, UK.
SO NATURE GENETICS. (1996 Feb) 12 (2) 205-8.
Journal code: BRO. ISSN: 1061-4036.
CY United States
DT Journal, Article: (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
LA English
FS Priority Journals
EM 199605
AB Vertebrate genomes are heavily methylated at cytosines in the sequence ***CpG***. The biological role of this modification is probably mediated by DNA binding proteins that are either attracted to or repelled by methyl- ***CpG***. MeCP2 is an abundant chromosomal protein that binds specifically to methylated DNA in vitro, and depends upon methyl- ***CpG*** for its chromosomal distribution in vivo. To assess the functional significance of MeCP2, the X-linked gene was mutated in male mouse embryonic stem (ES) cells using a promoterless gene-targeting construct containing a lacZ reporter gene. Mutant ES cells lacking MeCP2 grew with the same vigour as the parental line and were capable of considerable differentiation. Chimeraic embryos derived from several independent mutant lines, however, exhibited developmental

defects whose severity was positively correlated with the contribution of mutant cells.

The results demonstrate that McCP2, like DNA

methyltransferase, is dispensable in stem cells, but essential for embryonic development.

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L4 9 S ZINC FINGER AND METHYLTRANSFERASE#/AB,BI
L5 1 S L4 AND (FUSION OR CHIMER7/AB,BI

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L9 777 S METHYLTRANSFERASE# AND (FUSION OR CHIMER7/AB,BI
L10 16 S L9 AND CRG/AB,BI
L11 9 DUP REM L10 (7 DUPLICATES REMOVED)

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AN 1998061079 MEDLINE
DN 98061079
T1 Cytosine methylation targeted to pre-determined sequences [letter]
AU Xu G L, ***Bestor T H***
NC GNM00616 (NIGMS)

AI40021 (NIAID)

SO NATURE GENETICS, (1997 Dec) 17 (4) 376-8.

Journal code: BRO, ISSN: 1061-4036.

CY United States

DT Letter

LA English

FS Priority Journals

EM 199803

EW 19980301

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AN 42035735 INPADOC UP 20010206 UW 200105

TI ***CHIMERIC*** DNA-BINDING/DNA

METHYLTRANSFERASE NUCLEIC

ACID AND POLYPEPTIDE AND USES THEREOF

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PA THE TRUSTEES OF COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY IN THE

CITY OF, BESTOR, TIMOTHY, H

PAS UNIV COLUMBIA, BESTOR TIMOTHY H

PAA US; US

TL English; French

LA English

DT Patent

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REPORT

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AI WO 1996-US15576 A 19960927

PRAI US 1995-4445 A2 19950928

US 1996-594866 A2 19960131

OSDV 97-212856

AB The present invention provides a ***chimeric*** protein

which

comprises a mutated DNA methyltransferase portion and a DNA

binding

protein portion that binds sufficiently close to a promoter sequence

of a

target gene which promoter sequence contains a methylation site,

to specifically methylate the site and inhibit activity of the promoter

and

thus inhibit expression of the target gene. This invention also

provides

for a method for inhibiting the expression of a target gene which

includes contacting a promoter of the target gene with the

chimeric protein, so as to specifically methylate the

promoter

sequence of the target gene thus inhibiting expression of the target

gene.

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LEVEL 1

AN 12181505 INPADOC

TI ***CHIMERIC*** DNA-BINDING/DNA

METHYLTRANSFERASE NUCLEIC

ACID AND POLYPEPTIDE AND USES THEREOF

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PA THE TRUSTEES OF COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY IN THE

CITY OF NEW YORK

PAS UNIV COLUMBIA

DT Patent

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PRAI US 1995-4445 P 19950928

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WO 1996-US15576 W 19960927

L13 ANSWER 4 OF 9 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2001 ACS

AN 1997:791788 CAPLUS

DN 128-111239

TI Cytosine methylation targeted to pre-determined sequences

AU Xu, Guo-Liang, ***Bestor, Timothy H.***

CS Department of Genetics and Development, College of Physicians

and Surgeons

of Columbia University, New York, NY, 10032, USA

SO Nat. Genet. (1997), 17(4), 376-378

CODEN: NGENEC, ISSN: 1061-4036

PB Nature America

DT Journal

LA English

AB Predicted sequence specificities have now been conferred upon a

DNA

methyltransferase by ***fusion*** to zinc-finger

proteins.

The sequence specificity of zinc-finger proteins can be modified to

direct

cytosine methylation to the promoters of target genes. Targeted

methylation is proposed as a new method for selective gene

inactivation

that stimulates an existing biol. response.

L13 ANSWER 5 OF 9 MEDLINE

AN 92331613 MEDLINE

DN 92331613

T1 Activation of mammalian DNA ***methyltransferase*** by

cleavage of a

Zn binding regulatory domain.

AU ***Bestor T H***

CS Department of Anatomy and Cellular Biology, Harvard Medical

School,

Boston, MA 02115

NC GN43565 (NIGMS)

SO EMBO JOURNAL, (1992 Jul) 11 (7) 2611-7.

Journal code: EMB, ISSN: 0261-4189.

CY ENGLAND, United Kingdom
 DT Journal, Article, (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
 LA English
 FS Priority Journals
 EM 199210
 AB Mammalian DNA (cytosine-5) ****methyltransferase***
 contains a
 C-terminal domain that is closely related to bacterial cytosine-5
 restriction ****methyltransferase****. This
 ****methyltransferase***
 domain is linked to a large N-terminal domain. It is shown here that
 the
 N-terminal domain contains a Zn binding site and that the N- and
 C-terminal domains can be separated by cleavage with trypsin or
 Staphylococcus aureus protease V8; the protease V8 cleavage site
 was
 determined by Edman degradation to lie 10 residues C-terminal of
 the run
 of alternating lysyl and glycyI residues which joins the two domains
 and
 six residues N-terminal of the first sequence motif conserved
 between the
 mammalian and bacterial cytosine ****methyltransferases***.
 While the
 intact enzyme had little activity on unmethylated DNA substrates,
 cleavage
 between the domains caused a large stimulation of the initial
 velocity of
 methylation of unmethylated DNA without substantial change in
 the rate of
 methylation of hemimethylated DNA. These findings indicate that
 the
 N-terminal domain of DNA ****methyltransferase*** ensures
 the clonal
 propagation of methylation patterns through inhibition of the de
 novo
 activity of the C-terminal domain. Mammalian DNA
 ****methyltransferase***
 is likely to have arisen via ****fusion*** of a prokaryotic-like
 restriction ****methyltransferase*** and an unrelated DNA
 binding
 protein. Stimulation of the de novo activity of DNA
 ****methyltransferase*** by proteolytic cleavage in vivo may
 contribute
 to the process of ectopic methylation observed in the DNA of aging
 animals, tumors and in lines of cultured cells.

L13 ANSWER 6 OF 9 MEDLINE
 AN 92298390 MEDLINE
 DN 92298390
 TI Targeted mutation of the DNA ****methyltransferase*** gene
 results in
 embryonic lethality.
 AU Li E.; ****Bestor T H****; Jaenisch R
 CS Whitehead Institute for Biomedical Research, Cambridge,
 Massachusetts
 02142.

NC GM43565 (NIGMS)
 .R35 CA 44339.05 (NCI)
 SO CELL, (1992 Jun 12); 69 (6) 915-26.
 Journal code: CO4 ISSN: 0092-8674.
 CY United States
 DT Journal, Article, (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
 LA English
 FS Priority Journals; Cancer Journals
 EM 199209
 AB Gene targeting in embryonic stem (ES) cells has been used to
 mutate the
 murine DNA ****methyltransferase*** gene ES cell lines
 homozygous for
 the mutation were generated by consecutive targeting of both
 wild-type
 alleles; the mutant cells were viable and showed no obvious
 abnormalities
 with respect to growth rate or morphology, and had only trace levels
 of
 DNA ****methyltransferase*** activity. A quantitative
 end-labeling
 assay showed that the level of m5C in the DNA of homozygous
 mutant cells
 was about one-third that of wild-type cells, and Southern blot
 analysis
 after cleavage of the DNA with a methylation-sensitive restriction
 endonuclease revealed substantial demethylation of endogenous
 retroviral
 DNA. The mutation was introduced into the germine of mice and
 found to
 cause a recessive lethal phenotype. Homozygous embryos were
 stunted.
 delayed in development, and did not survive past mid-gestation.
 The DNA of
 homozygous embryos showed a reduction of the level of m5C
 similar to that
 of homozygous ES cells. These results indicate that while a 3-fold
 reduction in levels of genomic m5C has no detectable effect on the
 viability or proliferation of ES cells in culture, a similar reduction
 of
 DNA methylation in embryos causes abnormal development and
 embryonic
 lethality.

L13 ANSWER 7 OF 9 MEDLINE
 AN 93046689 MEDLINE
 DN 93046689
 TI A targeting sequence directs DNA ****methyltransferase*** to
 sites of
 DNA replication in mammalian nuclei.
 AU Leonhardt H; Page A W; Weier H U; ****Bestor T H****
 CS Department of Anatomy and Cellular Biology, Harvard Medical
 School,
 Boston, Massachusetts 02115.
 NC GM43565 (NIGMS)
 HD17665 (NICHHD)
 SO CELL, (1992 Nov 27) 71 (5) 865-73.

Journal code: CO4 ISSN: 0092-8674.
 CY United States
 DT Journal, Article, (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
 LA English
 FS Priority Journals; Cancer Journals
 EM 199302
 AB Tissue-specific patterns of methylated deoxycytidine residues in
 the
 mammalian genome are preserved by postreplicative methylation of
 newly
 synthesized DNA. DNA ****methyltransferase*** (MTase) is
 here shown to
 associate with replication foci during S phase but to display a
 diffuse
 nucleoplasmic distribution in non-S phase cells. Analysis of DNA
 MTase-beta-galactosidase ****fusion*** proteins has shown that
 association with replication foci is mediated by a novel targeting
 sequence located near the N-terminus of DNA MTase. This
 sequence has the
 properties expected of a targeting sequence in that it is not required
 for
 enzymatic activity, prevents proper targeting when deleted, and,
 when
 fused to beta-galactosidase, causes the ****fusion*** protein to
 associate with replication foci in a cell cycle-dependent manner.

L13 ANSWER 8 OF 9 MEDLINE
 AN 92112052 MEDLINE
 DN 92112052
 TI Expression in mammalian cells of a cloned gene encoding murine
 DNA
 ****methyltransferase***.
 AU Czank A; Hauselmann R; Page A W; Leonhardt H; ****Bestor
 T H****;
 Schaffner W; Hengstenberg M
 CS Institut für Molekularbiologie II, Universität Zürich, Switzerland.
 SO GENE, (1991 Dec 30) 109 (2) 259-63.
 Journal code: FOP ISSN: 0378-1119.
 CY Netherlands
 DT Journal, Article, (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
 LA English
 FS Priority Journals
 EM 199204
 AB Mammalian DNA cytosine-5. ****methyltransferase***
 (MTase, EC 2.1.1.37)
 is an essential component for establishing and maintaining cell-type
 specific methylation patterns in the genome. The cDNA for the
 murine
 enzyme was previously cloned in segments. We have reconstructed
 the entire
 gene, encoding a protein of 1517 amino acids, from a set of
 overlapping
 cDNA clones. We report the assembly of two expression constructs
 in
 bacterial/mammalian shuttle vectors. Transcription in the first
 construct
 (pEMT) is driven by the cytomegalovirus enhancer/promoter and

encodes a
 fusion protein with 15 additional aa at the N terminus,
 while the
 second construct (pJMT) is driven by the simian virus 40 early
 promoter/enhancer upstream from the natural ATG codon.
 Immunofluorescence
 microscopy and immunoblot analysis have shown that both
 constructs direct
 the synthesis of MTase in COS-1 cells. Enzyme activity in
 whole-cell
 lysates of transfected COS-1 cells transfected with pJMT and
 pJMT are on
 average tenfold and fivefold higher than in controls, respectively.
 The
 specific activities of the recombinant and endogenous mouse-cell
 enzyme
 are similar. These expression constructs will be of use in studies of
 DNA
 methylation in mammals.

L13 ANSWER 9 OF 9 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 5
 AN 90175644 MEDLINE
 DN 90175644
 TI DNA methylation: evolution of a bacterial immune function into a
 regulator
 of gene expression and genome structure in higher eukaryotes.
 AU ***Bestor T H***
 CS Department of Anatomy and Cellular Biology, Harvard Medical
 School,
 Boston, Massachusetts 02115.
 SO PHILOSOPHICAL TRANSACTIONS OF THE ROYAL
 SOCIETY OF LONDON. SERIES B:
 BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES. (1990 Jan 30) 326 (1235) 179-87.
 Ref: 32
 Journal code: P5Z. ISSN: 0962-8436.
 CY ENGLAND. United Kingdom
 DT Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
 General Review; (REVIEW)
 (REVIEW, TUTORIAL)
 LA English
 FS Priority Journals
 EM 199006
 AB The amino acid sequence of mammalian DNA
 methyltransferase has
 been deduced from the nucleotide sequence of a cloned cDNA. It
 appears
 that the mammalian enzyme arose during evolution via
 fusion of a
 prokaryotic restriction ***methyltransferase*** gene and a
 second gene
 of unknown function. Mammalian DNA ***methyltransferase***
 currently
 comprises an N-terminal domain of about 1000 amino acids that
 may have a
 regulatory role and a C-terminal 570 amino acid domain that retains
 similarities to bacterial restriction ***methyltransferases***.
 The

sequence similarities among mammalian and bacterial DNA
 cytosine
 methyltransferases suggest a common evolutionary
 origin. DNA
 methylation is uncommon among those eukaryotes having genomes
 of less than
 10(8) base pairs, but nearly universal among large-genome
 eukaryotes. This
 and other considerations make it likely that sequence inactivation
 by DNA
 methylation has evolved to compensate for the expansion of the
 genome that
 has accompanied the development of higher plants and animals. As
 methylated sequences are usually propagated in the repressed,
 nuclease-insensitive state, it is likely that DNA methylation
 compartmentalizes the genome to facilitate gene regulation by
 reducing the
 total amount of DNA sequence that must be scanned by
 DNA-binding
 regulatory proteins. DNA methylation is involved in immune
 recognition in
 bacteria but appears to regulate the structure and expression of the
 genome in complex higher eukaryotes. I suggest that the
 DNA-methylating
 system of mammals was derived from that of bacteria by way of a
 hypothetical intermediate that carried out selective de novo
 methylation
 of exogenous DNA and propagated the methylated DNA in the
 repressed state
 within its own genome. (ABSTRACT TRUNCATED AT 250
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